



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2015 Wisconsin Act 83
[2015 Senate Bill 210]

Out-of-State EMS Providers

2015 Wisconsin Act 83 pertains to emergency medical services (EMS) performed by a person who holds a credential in another state.

Generally, unless a person holds an appropriate license, training permit, or certificate under Wisconsin law, the person may not act as, or advertise for the provision of services as, an ambulance service provider, first responder, or emergency medical technician (EMT) in this state. An EMT includes an EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, or EMT-paramedic.

The Act creates a limited exemption from these credentialing requirements for a person who:

- Holds a valid license, training permit, certificate, or other credential allowing the person to act as an ambulance service provider, first responder, or EMT in another state; and
- Is acting in response to a request for mutual aid and responding from the state in which that person holds the appropriate credential to act as an ambulance service provider, first responder, or EMT.

Under the Act, the term “mutual aid” is defined as emergency medical care provided in another service area when the primary ambulance service provider in that area requires additional resources because it has already committed all its resources to other emergency responses.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.